

Fowler Public Schools

Board of Education

MINUTES

Regular Meeting, Monday, August 8, 2022 at 7:00 pm | Fowler High School Media Center

Meeting called to order by President Ryan O'Rourke at 7:02 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance. Recited

Roll Call taken: Ryan O'Rourke, Chad Rhynard, Mindy Schafer, Bill Sillman, Jason Smith, Brett Thelen present.
Lori Miller absent.

Superintendent/HS Principal Mark Horak, Asst. Superintendent Neil Hufnagel, Athletic Director Kris Ernst, Business Manager Terese Pline, and Secretary Kim Nixon were also present.

Presentation: None

Superintendent's/High School Principal report by Mark Horak. Mark provided a copy of the letter written to township. FPS has applied for electric school buses through the 2022 Clean School Bus Program. We have contracted with Shumaker Technology Group in managing our new Website. Office staff are schedule for training on the use of our new website next week. Looking to go live by the start of school.

Elementary/Middle School Principal report by Paul Minns. Absent.

Athletic Director's report by Kris Ernst. Recently met with Fall Coaches. Expressed his appreciation to all of them for their flexibility during the construction stages. All coaches just attended CPR training with Lynn Weber, who also offered additional training on trauma and excessive bleeding. Thank you Lynn!

Board Member Comments and Observations: Chad recognized the football players on their conduct during an 11 verse 11 session in Ionia. Our players conducted themselves in a very respectful manner at all times.

Board committee reports:

Chad Rhynard reported from Athletics Committee. Discussed the increase in costs for officials and signing fees that may result in having to raise admission costs. Talked about the steps in transitioning middles school football from a club sport to a school sport. Discussed Red Cedar league program scheduling. The 25th anniversary of the dedication of Spicer Field will be held on September 21 during the P-W game.

Jason Smith reported from Building and Grounds Committee. Discussed Series III of the project. Results of the high school roof survey. Reviewed the initial estimates from Christman, revised furniture bid, and general overall progress of the project.

Public Input on District COVID Response Plan for 2022-2023 School Year: None.

Public Participation: Two guest/ No comments.

Old Business for Discussion:

- A. Bond Project Update – Neil reported on Series III of the Bond Project. Discussed HS roof. Have started to address options for shower area updates in the Waldron locker rooms. Further explained the change in the furniture bid.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Jason Smith approving consent agenda items July 11, 2022 regular meeting minutes, General Fund monthly bills to be paid and funds transferred. School Attendance procedures for the 2022-2023 school year. Supported by Chad Rhynard. Motion carried 6-0.

New Business for Action:

Motion by Chad Rhynard approving K-12 Course offerings for the 2022-2023 school year. Supported by Jason Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Brett Thelen approving the 2022-2023 Master Schedule. Supported by Jason Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jason Smith to approve the Breakfast Program at Waldron for the 2022-2023 school year. Supported by Chad Rhynard. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Brett Thelen to approve the hiring of Kari Engel as FPS Success Coach. This position is funded by T11 Funds and will be for one semester. Supported by Jason Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Chad Rhynard to approve the revised Furniture order. Supported by Brett Thelen. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jason Smith to approve the Wall Graphic Quote from Agio Imaging in the amount of \$33K for the gym wall, and \$15K for commons area. Supported by Chad Rhynard. Motion carried 6-0.

New Business for Discussion:

- A. None.

Motion by Brett Thelen to adjourn meeting. Supported by Jason Smith. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy Schafer/kn
Secretary